

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., d/b/a IOWA TELECOM	DOCKET NO. SPU-04-8
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ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

(Issued May 10, 2004)

On April 26, 2004, NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners (Nextel), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a petition to intervene in Docket No. SPU-04-8. This docket will investigate a request made by Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom (Iowa Telecom), on March 24, 2004, to suspend or modify the federal requirements relating to thousands-block number pooling (TBNP) and the long-term database method for local number portability (LNP) in a portion of its Iowa exchanges. No objections to the petition to intervene have been filed.

In support of its petition to intervene, Nextel states that it is a wireless provider authorized to do business in Iowa. Nextel also states that its rights and interests may be substantially affected by the Board's decision in this proceeding and its unique interests are not likely to be adequately represented by other parties.

The petition to intervene will be granted pursuant to 199 IAC 7.2(7)"d." As a wireless service provider in Iowa, Nextel has demonstrated a unique interest in these proceedings that should be represented.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The petition to intervene filed in this docket by NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners, on April 26, 2004, is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10th day of May, 2004.